Allocation for Special Purpose Tea Fund

4446. SHRI S.K. KHABIR UDDIN AHMED: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any allocation for the Special Purpose Tea Fund has been announced;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. An outlay of Rs. 567.10 crore has been provided for this scheme. The scheme will be implemented in the Xlth Plan with a spill over in the first 3 years of Xllth Plan.

Import of American motorbikes

†4447. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and America have entered into an agreement recently under which import of American motorbikes and export of Indian mango has been approved;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any offer for import of other items was also made to India apart from motorbikes;

(d) if so, the names of such items; and

(e) the reasons for approving import of American motorbikes under said agreement by India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (e) No, Sir. No such agreement has been entered into. However, based on discussions in the India-US

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